

# Champlain Heights Annex

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## December 2020 News

At Champlain Heights Annex we acknowledge that we live, work, learn and play on the traditional and unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples the s̓kwx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), sel̓íwítlh (Tseil-Waututh), and x̓m̓əθk̓wəy̓əm (Musqueam) nations.

**Principal: Nicholas Chu**

**Director of Instruction: Chris Stanger**

**Annex Vice Principal: Sharon Vieira**

**Superintendent: Suzanne Hoffman**

**CPAC Co-Chairs: Fatima Elamiri and Sarah Rosen**

**Trustee: Oliver Hanson**

**CPAC Annex Liaisons: Lori Aldercroft and Tais Bansal**

December 8, 2020

A special thank you to the Champlain Heights Parent Advisory Council volunteers who have been working behind the scenes to fundraise for our school and to problem solve ways to make our school a safe and inclusive space for everyone.

We hope all of our families enjoy a time of rest and relaxation during the two-week winter break. The Champlain Heights Annex staff team wish our students and families peace, joy and hope for the coming New Year. Thank you for all your kindness, trust and support. We could not imagine navigating this journey without you.

Sincerely,

Sharon Vieira, Vice Principal and the Champlain Heights Annex School Team.

## Updates from the Champlain Heights Parent Advisory Committee (CPAC)

Here are the executive members for the 2020-2021 school year from both the Main and the Annex. Thank you to these parents for their volunteer work that supports our school community.

Position	PAC Executive Rep
Secretary	Co-Secretaries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Susan Atkay</li><li>• Melanie Worobec</li></ul>
Treasurer	Flavia Corbella
Annex Liaison	Co-Annex Liaison: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lori Aldercroft</li><li>• Tais Bansal</li></ul>
Chair	Co-Chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fatima Elamiri</li><li>• Sarah Rosen</li></ul>

- Fundraising through Merchandise Sales – Tara Chapple
- Annex cash counting – Tara Chapple, Jill Moore
- Recycling fundraising – Marta Bielec
- Purdy's fundraiser – Alison Cristal

## Purdy's Chocolate Fundraising Update

Thank you to Alison Cristal for supporting this great fundraising initiative again this year. Thank you to everyone for supporting this fundraising event. The Purdy's chocolate sales made approximately \$1000 in profit this year. These funds will go towards supporting a variety of school initiatives.

When the chocolate arrives at Champlain Annex our staff team will help to fill the orders and send them home with children. We will coordinate a pick-up time for all families who are unable to have chocolate sent home with the students after school. This pick up will be outside the school and will need to be a staggered pick- up time depending on the number of orders. We are hoping to send home all orders on Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for updates.

**Please save your returnable containers** over the winter break. If you bring them to your local **return-it** location and use our school phone number **604-713-4880** the funds will go to the Champlain Heights Annex account.



## School Safety Reminders

### No U Turns Please!

Please remember that the front of the school is **not a u-turn zone**. The CPAC will be asking the City of Vancouver to be place a sign in front of the school as we are having a serious and ongoing safety hazard here. Please consider driving and parking up the road or at the community centre lot and then walking back to the school for drop off and pick up. It would be awful to have an accident in front of our school to add more stress and anxiety to anyone's life right now. Thank you for following the traffic safety guidelines at our school.



**The school parking lot** is for staff only. There are 3 families with special permission to use the parking lot due to health concerns. Of course, these few families are asked to **drive at 10km/h or less** as they enter and exit the lot each day to keep everyone safe.



## School Safety Reminders

### Sidewalks

We are currently working with the VSB grounds team to widen the sidewalks adjacent to the driveway at Champlain Heights Annex. We have a few projects that will be underway to ensure we can maintain sufficient social distancing and safety during the Covid-19 health restrictions.

While we wait for these sidewalk enhancements to be put in place, please help to teach our children about parking lot safety. **Please model road safety in our school driveway by guiding students to walk on the sidewalks and not the driveway.** We appreciate it is difficult to manage social distancing during drop off and pickup times but having children run or walk on the roadway is not a safe practice.

### Social Distancing on School Grounds

We are asking families to clear the schoolgrounds as quickly as possible before and after school during drop off and pick-up times. **If you would like to use the playground, please come back after 3:30 when the school grounds are clear.** Thank you for all your patience and understanding regarding these requests as we continue to navigate Covid-19 public health protocols and the strict limits on social gatherings.

### Dogs at Pick up and Drop off

We are finding it difficult to manage the flow of people and dogs at the drop off and pickup times at our school. As a result, the school is asking for families to leave their dogs at home or tie them to the fence far away from the school pick up zones. Not all children and families are comfortable with dogs (some even have very traumatic memories of their interactions) and they should not have to negotiate moving past dogs on their way to and from school every day.

I am confident that our very kind and thoughtful community will understand and appreciate this request. As you know I have a dog of my own and do understand the fabulous role dogs and pets can play in your families, but I also know that there are some children and adults who are very afraid dogs. Thank you for acknowledging this request and for helping us keep our school grounds a safe and inviting space for everyone.



# December 2020

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			Virtual sing along assembly for students		Last day before the winter break	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Winter Break school closed ----->						
27	28	29	30	31		
Winter Break school closed ----->						



# January 2021

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2
					Welcome 2021	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	First Day Back at School		CPAC meeting cancelled next one February 3 via "zoom invite"			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Prod Day school closed					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					Report Cards Home	

### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you for all your support of the virtual book fair. We raised \$91. In scholastic dollars for the school. The scholastic dollars are used to buy books, art supplies and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) materials to be used in the classrooms as well. Each teacher is given an order form and asked to circle what they need to support their learners. This opportunity will be given to teachers again in January.

### Champlain Heights Annex Clothing Merchandise

Thank you to Tara Chapple for organizing this great initiative for the school. We sold approximately \$2000 in t-shirts, sweatshirts, and bags with the school logo on them. Tara will let us know in January what the school profit from this sale was. Thank you again for all your support.



# Champlain Heights Annex Art Gallery



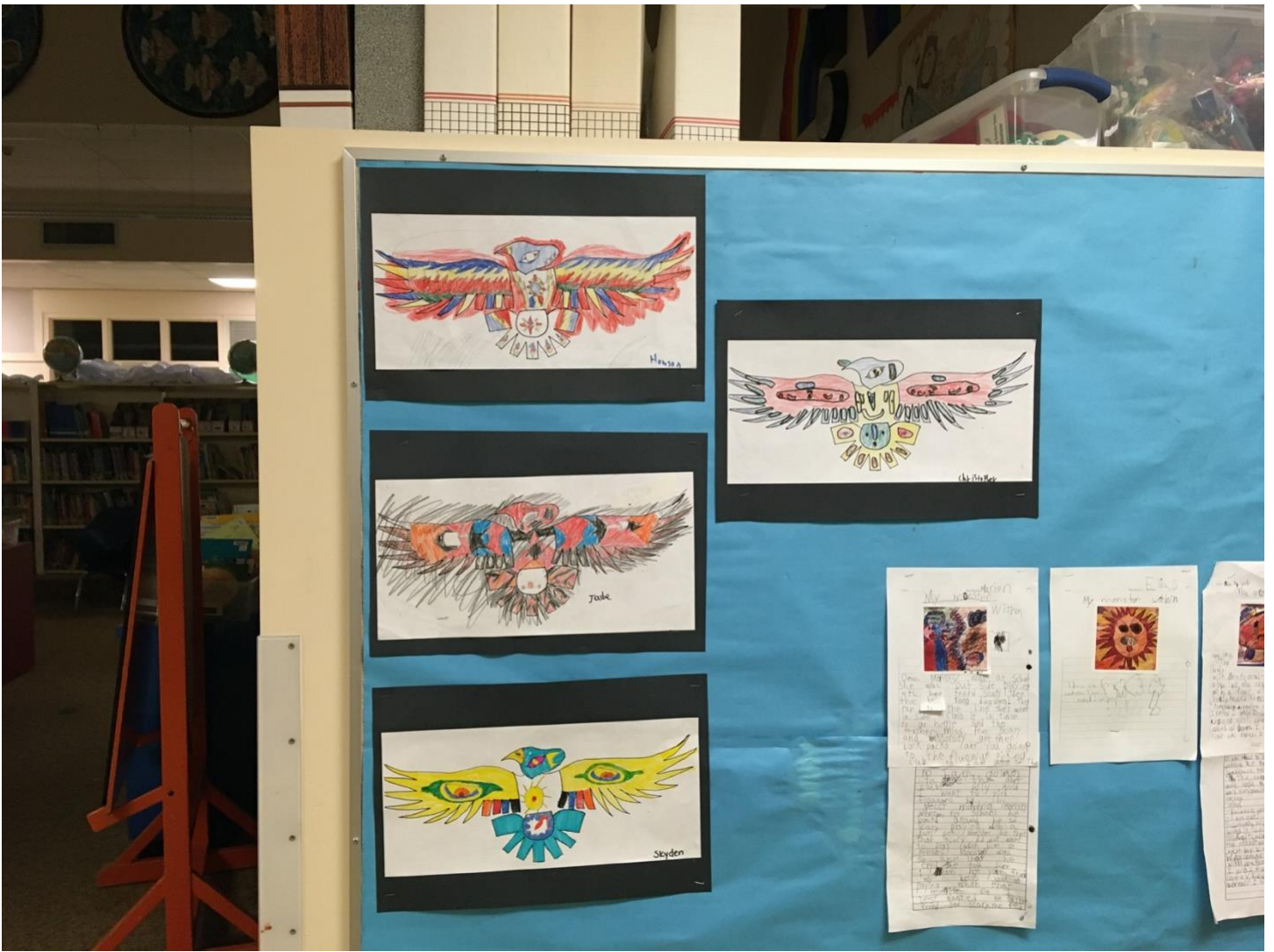




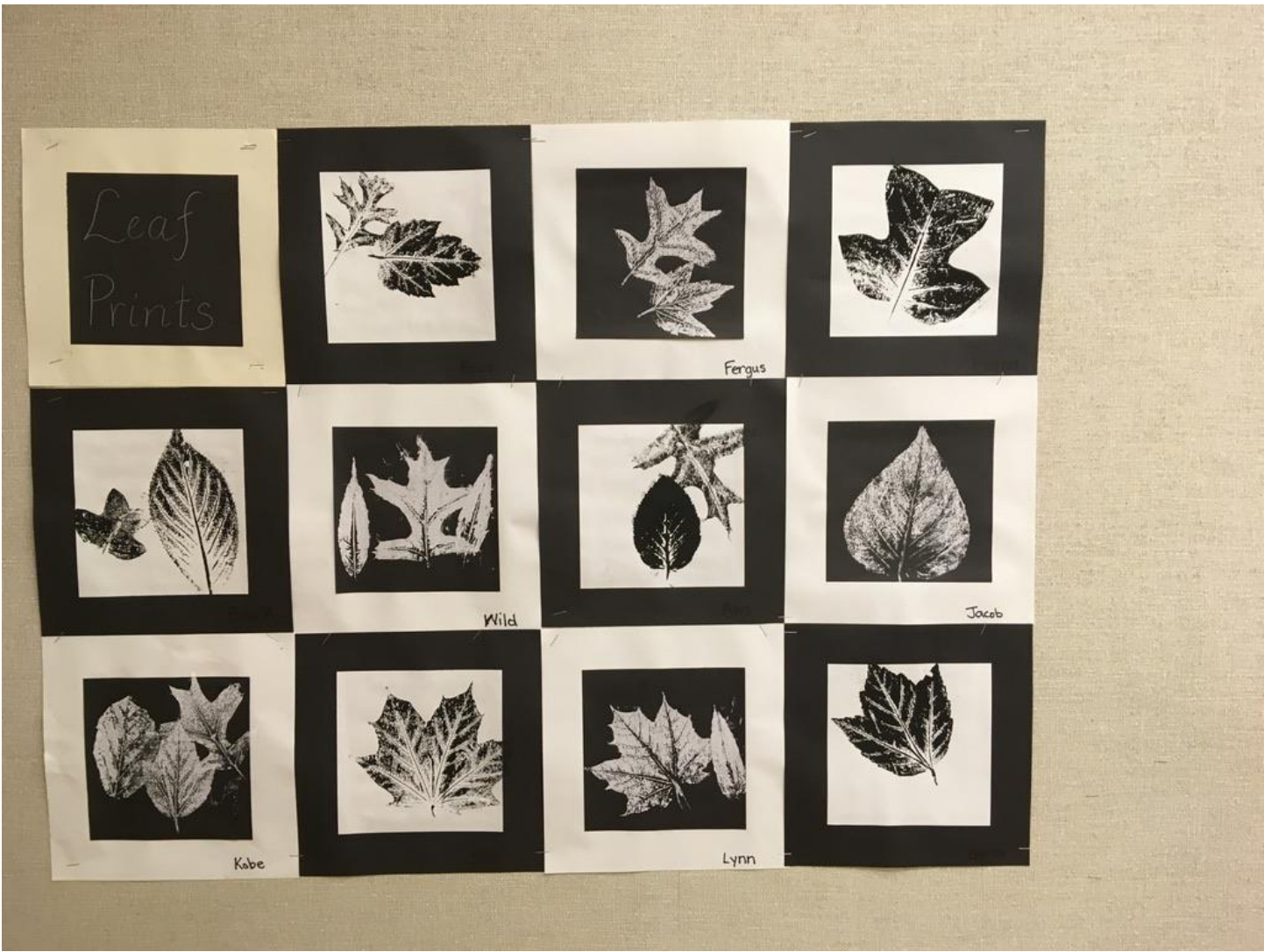
























Thank you 😊!

